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MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2022

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4 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Good morning. I
5 call the June 8th, 2022, meeting and the
6 Return Board for the 2022 Primary and Special
7 Elections to order.

8 First, I will preserve the order and
9 decorum of these meetings. Everyone in
10 attendance should be on notice that shouting
11 out and interrupting the proceedings will not
12 be tolerated those who violate this will be
13 asked to leave.

14 The Sunshine Act permits anyone
15 attending a public meeting to object to a
16 perceived violation at any time during the
17 meeting. If you choose to do so, please
18 succinctly state your objection. Objecting is
19 not an opportunity for speechmaking.

20 We'll now move to public comment and
21 commenters shall state where they live if
22 they're not resident of Philadelphia that they
23 are a Philadelphia taxpayer or -- the Return
24 Board which candidate they represent.

1 Public comment is not an opportunity
2 for dialogue or Q&A. It's a public comment.
3 A chance for you to tell us what you think.

4 Each speaker shall have two minutes.
5 However, I may extend this time at my
6 discretion. All public comments must be
7 relevant or germane to Board business.

8 Finally, it is my responsibility to
9 preserve the order and decorum in these
10 meetings as such profane, slanderous,
11 discriminatory, or personal attacks will not
12 be tolerated.

13 Anyone wishing to offer public comment,
14 please step forward.

15 MR. GARELLA: Hello. Good morning,
16 Commissioners. My name is Rich Garella from
17 ProtectOurVotePhilly and I just have a brief
18 comment today since we're wrapping up and I
19 think and congratulations on that.

20 I'd like to respectfully request that
21 in these meetings since they're public
22 meetings and they're here for the benefit of
23 the public to just try to explain a little bit
24 more what's going on so the public can sort of

1 understand, you know, what you folks are
2 doing, like, what, you know, I go back to the
3 reading of the results meeting, it's hard to
4 understand for regular members of the public,
5 you know, why is this reading happening?

6 You, know, that there's a challenge --
7 coming up to help people, you know, it would
8 help with transparency and for people to
9 understand and that they might say, you know,
10 why is this taking so long?

11 Why are all these delays? It was
12 puzzling that some of the results were read
13 twice and it seemed like it changed in
14 between.

15 I mean, I'm not saying anything weird
16 or funny is going on, but if, you know, it
17 would be more of a partnership I think if you
18 folks could just shed a little bit more light
19 on what you guys are doing during the
20 meetings.

21 Thanks very much.

22 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: We will now move to
23 Commissioner Bluestein for e-mail public
24 comments.

1 COMMISSIONER BLUESTEIN: There were no
2 e-mail public comments as of 9:45 a.m. this
3 morning.

4 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Thank you. We will
5 now sign the certification for the Republican
6 Board Executive Committee for Ward 9 Division
7 7.

8 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Thank you.
9 Commissioner Bluestein, do you have any items
10 to be added to the agenda?

11 COMMISSIONER BLUESTEIN: I have none.

12 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Commissioner Sabir,
13 do you have any items to be added to the
14 agenda?

15 COMMISSIONER SABIR: No, I do not.

16 CHAIRWOMAN DEELEY: Thank you. Thank
17 you everyone. There are no items remaining on
18 the agenda. This meeting is adjourned to the
19 call of the chair. Thank you very much.

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22 (Whereupon the meeting concluded at 11:04 a.m.)

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